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REMARKS:INCOMPLETED PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE

1. About three months ago three projects were referred to the Director of Central Intelligence for study and appropriate action:

- (a) Foreign Potential Resources of Raw Materials;  
 (b) Foreign Petroleum Developments;  
 (c) Foreign Industrial Establishments.

This memorandum describes briefly the ~~origin, purpose, action taken, and~~ current status of said projects and makes recommendations for their future handling.

2. Project (a) to collect, analyse and present in useful form data on the economic war potentials of foreign countries originated with the Army-Navy Munitions Board. See ~~ANMB~~ memorandum attached to General Sorenson's letter of 7 November 1945 to [redacted] on file in Information and Intelligence

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Army-Navy Munitions Board and Joint Logistics Plans Committee. It was agreed that Joint Logistics Committee would officially request C.I.G. to provide for the development of intelligence concerned with the economic war potentials of foreign areas, that these data be furnished the Industrial College for use in its analyses. This request will be forwarded to C.I.G. in the near future.

3. Project (b), *encompassed the setting up of* to set up an interdepartmental committee to develop intelligence on foreign petroleum problems, *originated* with the Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Research and Intelligence. See memorandum of 2 April 1946 from [redacted] to the Director of Central Intelligence Group on *file in the Intelligence Branch.* Project discussed with State Department, but no action taken. *further action has been taken for reasons shown in PP 5 below.*

4. Project (c), *Coordinated action* to collect, analyse and present in useful form data on foreign industrial establishments, *originated* with the Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Research and Intelligence. See memorandum of 14 March 1945 from [redacted] to the Director of Central Intelligence Group on file in the Intelligence Branch. Project discussed at a C.I.G. sponsored meeting attended by representatives from State, Army, Navy, Air and Commerce. As a result of this meeting the Intelligence and Information Branches, C.P.S., prepared a memorandum (*never sent for transmittal*) to the departmental representatives who had attended the meeting recommending that an inter-agency committee be established to (a) evolve a plan whereby the resources available to the government be pooled and coordinated to produce complete intelligence on foreign industrial establishments; (b) submit said plan to C.I.G. *and (c) upon approval of plan to become responsible for the execution and maintenance of the project when the plan was approved. The memo was not forwarded and no further action was taken for reasons shown in PP 5 below.*

5. Further action on the foregoing projects *has been suspended pending approval of directives to establish inter-agency committees to coordinate the collection and research in the field of economic intelligence.*

6. It is recommended that all three of the above projects be referred to the Interdepartmental Coordinating and Planning Staff for study and appropriate action.

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